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A Place of Discovery and Reflection

This brochure is designed to enhance your experience along the Diamond Fork Youth Forest Discovery Trail.

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Welcome to the
Discovery Trail

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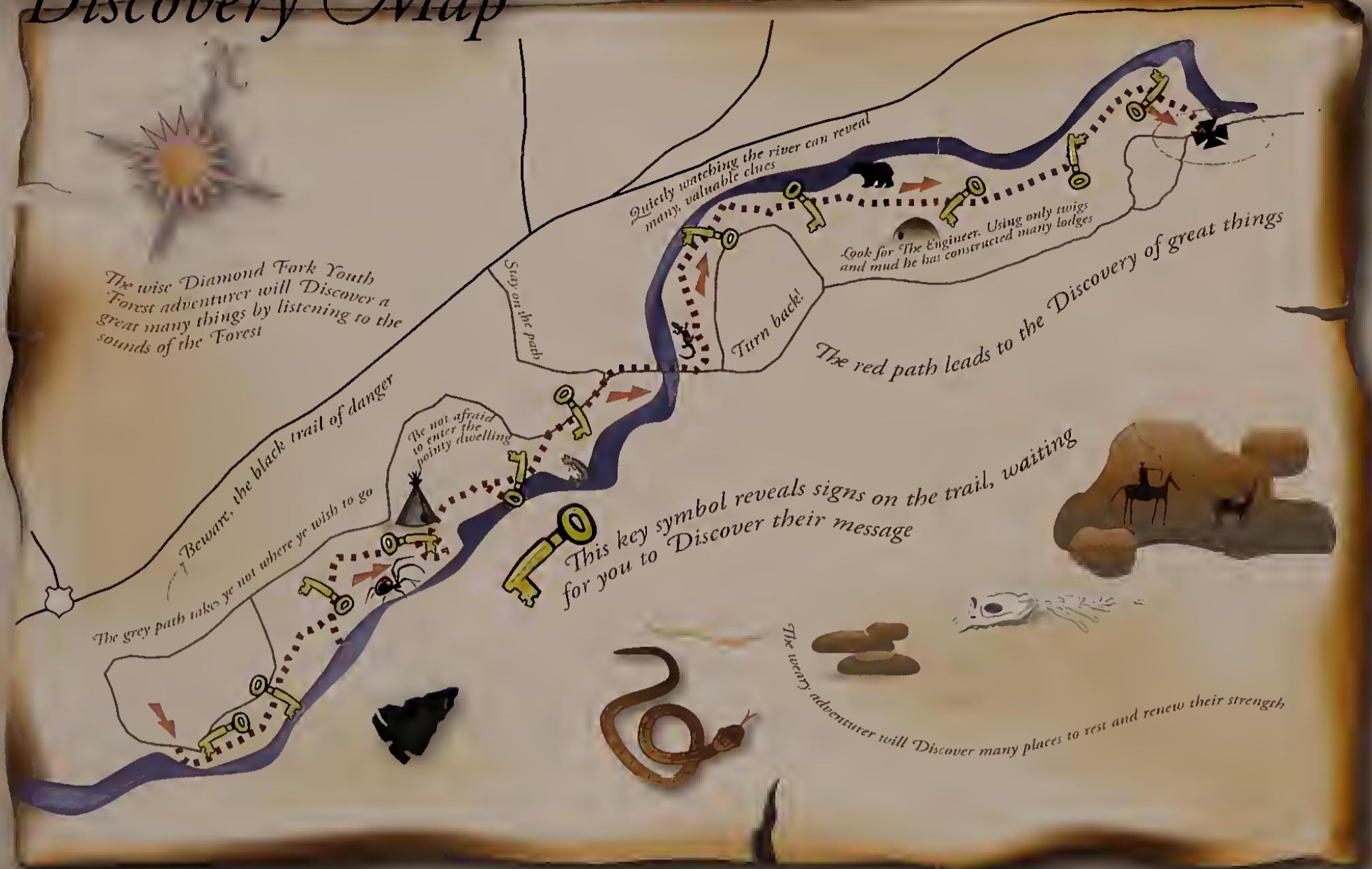
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Discovery Map



A great opportunity awaits. With all good adventures, it begins with a map. As you begin your expedition, this map holds many keys: Keys that open doors of discovery. Be cautious of the foot that strays from the trail lest the adventurer lose their way and the fragile habitats be damaged. Leave no trace: No evidence of your passing.

Use your Imagination! reflect on what you've discovered

Write a poem or a story about your favorite plant, animal, reptile or fish. Be sure to talk about where they live.

Do one of the following:

- Draw a picture that shows what you learned today.
- Take a rubbing of a rock, leaf or the bark of a tree.
- Sketch your favorite animals and the habitats they live in.
- Draw what the Youth Forest would look like if there was no water.

This is a place to discover the importance and unique habitats Diamond Fork provides for many plant and wildlife species.

Raptors, like this hawk, and neotropical birds live in riparian areas. Listen for what else lives in riparian areas.

A Habitat can be divided into three distinct types; aquatic, riparian and upland. Each habitat must have food, water, shelter and space for birds, mammals, fish or plants.

Plants like sagebrush, oakbrush, pine trees and maple trees live in upland areas. What kinds of plants grow in riparian areas?

Upland is the area uphill from the water, like the meadows and mountains.

Large mammals, like this moose, live in upland habitats. What other animals would also live in upland areas?

Amphibians and fish, like this Rainbow Trout, live in aquatic areas. Watch for mammals that live in aquatic areas. Hint: They have large flat tails.

Aquatic is the water and all the ground that is underneath the water. Fish and many bugs live in aquatic areas.

Riparian is kind of like the shore or river bank. It is the area between the water and dry land. Almost every animal in the forest uses the riparian areas.

Discover aquatic, riparian or upland habitats. They are all around you. Can you point them out?

Who Made Those Tracks?



ANSWERS: a - badger; b - beaver; c - chipmunk; d - fox; e - moose; f - raccoon; g - bobcat; h - coyote; i - elk; j - marmot

Can you name an animal that leaves no tracks?
What habitat does this animal live in?
(Who doesn't touch the ground?)

Can you name three different kinds of animals
that live in more than one habitat?
(Who is mobile or migratory?)

How many animals can you name that need the
riparian habitat to survive?
(Who needs water to live, but doesn't live in the water?)

What Is The Youth Forest?

The Diamond Fork Youth Forest is a place where both young and old can discover the importance of this unique area.

Can you see any burrows in the ground?
What could live down there?

What do you find under rocks?
Why do those animals make their home there?

Can you see or hear the river?
What makes its home in the water?

Have you seen any Birds?
Could you tell what kind they were?

What lives in the thickets?
Can you hear them rustling?

Can you see or hear these things? If so, check them off the list!

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